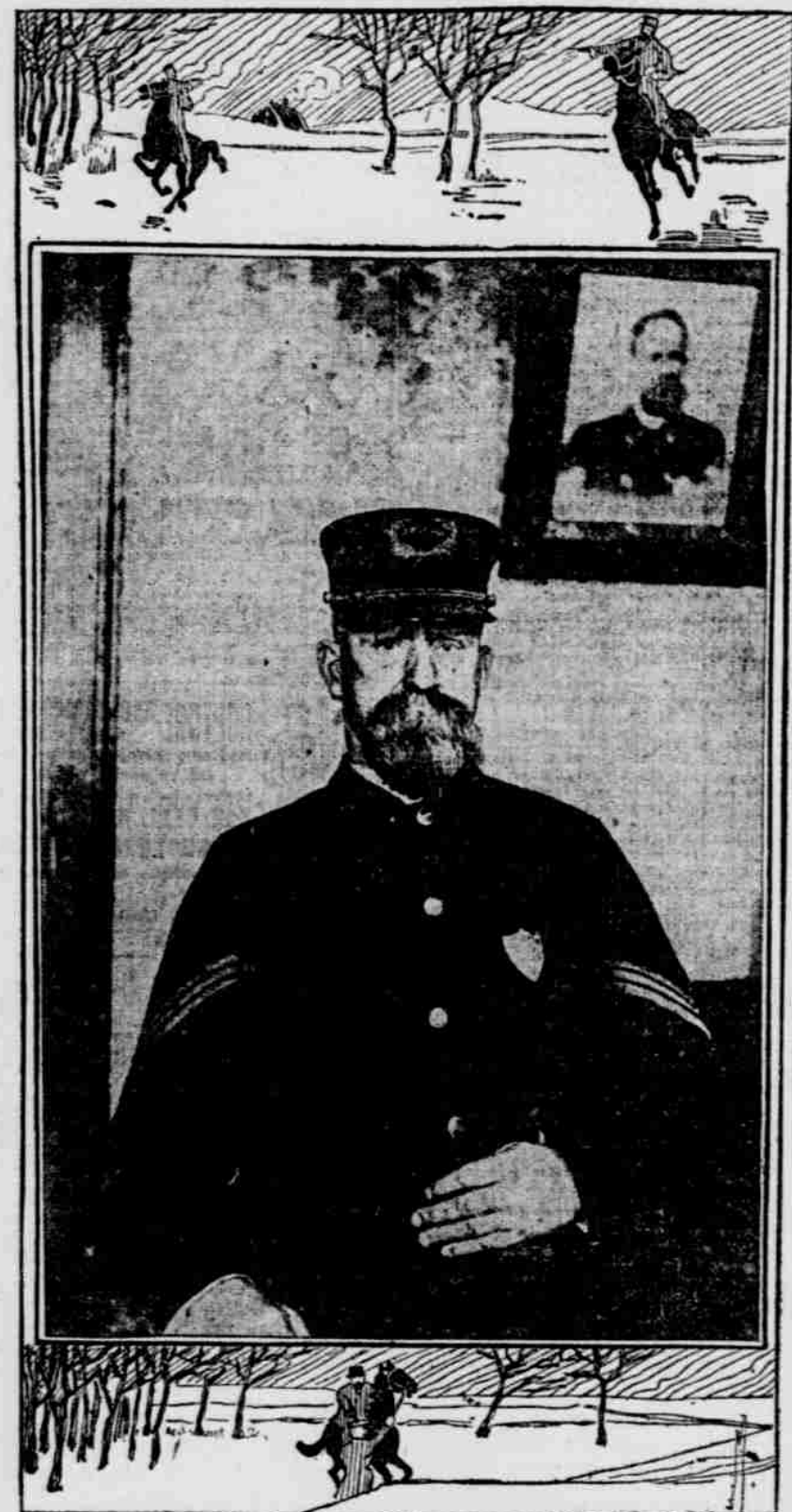


FOUGHT A FIERCE DUEL ON HORSEBACK IN THE DARK.

Sergeant Hickman's Desperate Battle in Forest Park With a Horse Thief, Who Shot Him in the Arm, Twice Wounded His Horse, and Escaped.



Sergeant Hickman of the Mounted District, who had a desperate duel on horseback with a horse thief in Forest Park.

—By a Staff Photographer.

Sergeant James Hickman of the Mounted District police fought a pistol duel on horseback with a horse thief on the outskirts of the city at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. Twice his horse fell beneath him and his left arm was paralyzed by a bullet, but he fought on until he had wrested the horse thief's revolver from him and beat him on the head with it. The thief finally managed to escape in the darkness.

Captain McNamee of the Mounted District detailed twenty men to search for the thief, and he thinks it will be a matter of only a few hours until he is captured.

Sergeant Hickman was patrolling his precinct on horseback about 5 o'clock when he met a man at Macklind and Manchester avenues riding a horse and leading another. It was yet quite dark. Hickman stopped the stranger and asked him where he got the horse. The man replied that he had taken it from his place at Pacific, Mo., to sell them to a milkman in St. Louis. Not being satisfied with the explanation, the Sergeant placed the man under arrest and started for the station in Forest Park.

Hickman was not able to search his prisoner on horseback, but thought he would meet an officer in the course of a short ride. About 300 yards north of Macklind avenue the prisoner, unobserved by Hickman, pulled a revolver and shot directly at him at a range of four feet. The bullet took effect in the muscles of Hickman's left arm between the elbow and the shoulder.

Hickman immediately drew his revolver and started for his prisoner, who had dropped from his horse and was firing from the ground. The Sergeant opened fire, but his horse, having been shot twice in the neck, reared and fell, disconcerting the rider and destroying his aim. Two more bullets from the horse thief's revolver pierced the Sergeant's coat but did not enter the flesh. When each of the duellists had emptied his revolver, Sergeant Hickman, who had remounted, charged upon the thief, and, taking his revolver from him, beat him on the head with it. In trying to guide his horse Hickman for the first time found that his left arm was paralyzed. His horse fell again and the unknown escaped to the darkness.

Sergeant Hickman, after making a futile search for the escaped prisoner, rode to the station, where he related the circumstances. Lieutenant Hanna and a squad of mounted officers started in search of the fugitive. Sergeant Hickman was taken to the office of Doctor A. C. Robinson, at No. 362 Pine street, where his injured arm was dressed, and thence to his home, at No. 232 Manchester avenue. The wound is said to be serious.

Sergeant Hickman describes his assailant as being about 35 years old, of medium build and weight. The revolver which he took from the man is a 38-caliber Harrington & Richardson.

Lieutenant Hanna, on searching the scene of the conflict, found the two horses which the horse thief had abandoned, his lantern and his cap, which he had lost in the fight. The cap is No. 74, sold by A. K. Rex, No. 23 East Forty-third street, Chicago, Ill. One of the horses had a new saddle and bridle on.

Doctor J. M. Berry of Windsor Post Office, St. Louis County, called at the station at 10 o'clock yesterday morning and identified the two horses. Three horses were stolen from his stable Wednesday night, he said. The cap is the same as the one which was abandoned on the roadside, and it was found later at Bertold Post Office.

There are no marks on the lantern or revolver to lead to the identity of the thief. Sergeant Hickman says he would know him if he saw him. When found, the Sergeant says, he will show the effects of a beating on the head, but he does not think any of his bullets wounded him.

Sergeant Hickman is known as one of the most daring men on the police force, and during the late street car strike he was a terror to the mob.

RELEASED UNDER \$2,000 BOND.

John Green, Charged With Murder Gives Bail for Appearance.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Mount Vernon, Ill., Jan. 24.—John Green, recently captured in Massac County and lodged under an indictment for the murder of Barney A. Cooper in Farmington Township, thirteen years ago, was released under \$2,000 bond this evening. The case came up on a writ of habeas corpus, and was heard before Judge P. A. Bates, who ruled that the evidence presented by the prosecution was not sufficiently strong to hold Green on the charge of murder.

REPUBLICANS IN CONTROL.

Eureka Springs Newspaper Has Changed Ownership.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Eureka Springs, Ark., Jan. 24.—Republican politicians have finally gained control of the Daily Times-Echo and its future policy will be shaped by Postmaster Rosewater and Doctors R. G. Floyd and C. F. Palla. The paper has been wobbly, politically, for some time.

This practically leaves the city and county, which are strongly Democratic, without an organ.

FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Milton Nichols's Troubles Made Him Tired of Life.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Columbia, Mo., Jan. 24.—Milton Nichols, a farmer living several miles northwest of this city, died after a long illness, taken by the effects of two ounces of laudanum, taken with suicidal intent.

Financial troubles, combined with drinking, is attributed as the cause for the deed. He was about 65 years of age and leaves a wife and several children.

Brennecke Shows Estimate.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Jan. 24.—In response to Senator Vest's resolution, the War Department today sent to Congress an additional estimate of the expenditure needed to complete work on the lock and dam at Brennecke, Mo., on the river.

The War Department's statement by Captain Keller of the Engineer Corps, St. Louis, estimating that \$30,000 will be needed for the work.

'SAVAGE ATTACK ON INDIAN COMMISSION.

Pettigrew Says There Is "No More Corrupt or Extravagant Body" in American Service.

CALLS FOR ITEMIZED ACCOUNT.

Senator Butler Thinks Children With Red Hair and Freckled Faces Have No Right in Indian Schools.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The Senate devoted the day to the Indian appropriation bill and made only fair progress. The chief feature of the debate was a sharp attack by Mr. Pettigrew on the Dawes Commission, which he said was extravagant and was accomplishing little in the way of results. An interesting announcement made by him was that he did not purpose to filibuster against any bill. The shipping bill was not taken up, but tomorrow will witness a speech on it by Mr. Dewey. It will then give way to appropriation bills. Mr. Frye saying today he did not wish to delay them.

At the opening to-day the Senate adopted the Pettigrew resolution concerning the reported deportation of A. Mahini, a citizen of the Philippines, to Guam.

During the consideration of the appropriation for Indian school Mr. Butler said he had visited such schools and observed that there were present taking advantage of the benefits children who were not Indians, and he asked what proportion of Indian blood was necessary to secure admission to such schools.

Mr. Thurston answered that no children are received unless they are regarded as Indians by the tribes, no matter how slight the admixture of Indian blood. He had, he said, seen in a tepee with a woman evidently an Indian squaw, children and her own who had red hair. It was impossible, he said, to exclude children from the schools merely because they might have red hair of a light shade.

Mr. Butler insisted that many of the children who were attending Indian schools were white, and that the abuse of the Indian school appropriation was flagrant and notorious.

Mr. Jones of Arkansas added that he knew many Indian children who had freckled faces, blue eyes and red hair. Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota expressed the opinion that the whole Indian school system ought to be overhauled. He was inclined to believe that many of the Indian schools in the East might better be abolished, and in this connection he referred particularly to the Carlisle School.

Mr. Pettigrew made a vigorous attack upon the Dawes Indian Commission, asserting that there was no more corrupt or extravagant body in the service of the United States than that commission. He attacked particularly the increase from \$500 to \$300,000 of the appropriation for the commission. He believed the work done by the appraisers of the Indian lands had been done for 10 per cent of what the Government was paying for it.

Mr. Jones of Arkansas maintained that the criticism by Mr. Pettigrew of the Dawes Commission was not well founded in any respect. The work, he said, was being done economically and thoroughly.

Mr. Aldrich of Rhode Island reported the war revenue reduction bill from the committee on Finance and gave notice that he would call up the measure the first of next week. He called attention to the amendments covering the sale of stock and bonds under consideration which would be submitted at the close of the session.

Mr. Pettigrew offered an amendment providing that the Dawes Commission shall file an itemized statement of its expenditures to January 1, 1901, and annually thereafter. The amendment was accepted, and an amendment making the appropriation for the commission \$250,000 was adopted.

HILL BILL IS FAVORED.

House Committee on Coinage Orders It Reported.

Washington, Jan. 24.—By a party vote of 9 to 6, the House Committee on Coinage today reported the bill for the coinage of a silver dollar, known as the Hill bill, to the House.

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The Hill bill, as reported, is as follows: "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to coin the silver dollar purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, into the aggregate of subsidiary silver coin as he may deem necessary to meet public requirements and to receive the aggregate of subsidiary silver coin, and so much of any act as but a limit to the aggregate of subsidiary silver coin outstanding, and as much of any act as directs the coinage of any portion of the bullion purchased under the act of July 14, 1890, into standard silver dollars, as he may deem proper."

The report of the Treasury is hereby directed to maintain at all times at parity with gold the tender silver dollars hereinafter provided for, and that the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby directed to exchange gold for legal tender silver dollars when presented to the Secretary of the Treasury for exchange, and to provide for the maintenance of the reserve fund in the treasury relating to the United States notes in the discretion of the Secretary of the Treasury hereby made applicable to the exchange of legal tender silver dollars.

LOOKING FOR AN ORATOR.

Missouri Republicans Want One for Their Club Convention.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Jan. 24.—Ralph O. Stauber of St. Joseph has been selected as the Republican Club; L. P. Alos of St. Louis, president of the Merchants League Club, here to secure a Republican of national reputation to address the annual banquet of the club, to be held at Kansas City February 12.

To-day they saw Senator Hanna of Ohio, who is expected to be present. It is said that the end of the session. The Missourians are trying to induce Senator Hanna, of Indiana or Governor Roosevelt of New York. They tried to reach the latter by wire today, but neither local Roosevelt nor his press agent. As yet the matter is held open.

CANNON AGAINST NAVAL INCREASE.

House Devotes the Day to the Bill and Nearly Completes It.

Washington, Jan. 24.—The House today considered the naval appropriation bill all day and completed it with the exception of one paragraph. The item for the increase of the navy from \$120,000,000 to \$150,000,000, two battleships and two cruisers. Some opposition was manifested to any increase of the navy, but the bill was passed by a vote of 219 to 159.

ARMY ORDERS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. A board of officers to consist of Colonel Alfred A. Woodhull, Assistant Surgeon General; Major John M. Holt, Surgeon; Major Louis La Garde, Surgeon, is appointed to meet at the Army Medical Museum building, Washington, at the call of the president of the board, for the examination of medical officers for promotion.

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MOVEMENT OF GOLD.

Further Shipments From New York This Week Improbable.

New York, Jan. 24.—The Evening Post says: Although sterling exchange reached 24 1/2 to-day, foreign bankers thought it unlikely that any more gold would go out this week. They said this afternoon that New York was still a considerable distance away from the point where gold shipments to London could profitably be made, but that a Paris shipment would probably be arranged this week.

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